



# ASHBOURNE DONAGHMORE PARISH BULLETIN



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19th Sunday of the Year

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## MASS INTENTIONS

### Church of the Immaculate Conception, Ashbourne

Sat. 12th Aug.	6.00pm	Av. Betty & Billy Coughlan
Sun. 13th Aug.	9.00am	Av. Eddie O'Donoghue
Sun. 13th Aug.	11.00am	1st Av. Kay Curry & also remem. her husband James
Sun 13th Aug.	12.30pm	Av. Sean Farrelly
Mon. 14th Aug.	10.00am	Special Intention
Tues. 15th Aug. Feast of the Assumption of the Bl. V. Mary	10.00am 8.00pm	Special Intention * Av. Bernard, Peg & Thomas Boland
Wed. 16th Aug.	10.00am	Av. Elizabeth Burke
Thurs. 17th Aug.	10.00 am	People o the Parish
Fri. 18th Aug.	10.00 am	People of the Parish
Sat. 19th Aug.	10.00 am	Av. Paddy Stritch
Sat. 19th Aug.	6.00 pm	Av. Paddy Murphy
Sun. 20th Aug.	9.00 am	Av. James Kearns
Sun. 20th Aug.	11.00 am	Av. Sean Curran
Sun. 20th Aug.	12.30 pm	Av. Peggy Swinburne

### St. Patrick's Church, Donaghmore

Sun. 13th Aug.	10.00am	Av. Ann Somers Av. Thomas Collins
Sun. 20th Aug.	10.00am	Av. Anthony Ellis Av. Oliver Synnott

## CHURCH GATES CLOSING TIMES

Our thanks to all who open and close our churches ensuring our cemeteries, pastoral services and churches are accessible to those visiting our parish.



Please be advised the closing times for church gates in Ashbourne will change:

**Monday—Friday 9.30pm**  
**Saturday – Sunday 7.30pm**

Gates do not re-open until 9.00am each *morning*.  
*Changes will come into effect until the end of August.*

## Youth 2000—SUMMER FESTIVAL 2017

Registration is now open for the Youth 2000 Summer Festival from 17th to 20th August 2017 in Cistercian College, Roscrea, Co. Tipperary. This event is for those between the ages of 16 to 35 years. For further information see [www.youth2000.ie](http://www.youth2000.ie)



*A prayer for those who have entered Eternal Rest:*

**Christopher O'Reilly**, Maple Grove;  
**Martin Quinn**, brother of Michael Quinn, Greenogue;  
**Marie Thynne**, aunt of Harriet Thynne, Deepark.

*Christy Garrett whose anniversary occurs at this time*

*May they rest in the peace of the Risen Christ.*



### Ashbourne:

1st & 2nd Sunday of the month at 1.30pm.

3rd Saturday of the month at 4.00pm.

### Donaghmore:

Sunday 31st December 2017 after 10am Mass.

### Pre-Baptism Meeting

Next talk will take place on Monday 14th August 2017. in the Parish Hall, Ashbourne at 8.00 p.m.

*Baptism Registration Forms are available on the Parish Website.*



### Sacraments and Devotions

#### Morning Masses:

Mon.-Sat. 10.00 a.m.  
Ashbourne

#### Eucharistic Adoration:

Tues. 10.30a.m. to 11.30 a.m.  
Thurs. 10.30a.m.—9 p.m.

#### Confessions:

Saturday after 10 a.m. Mass  
First Friday of the Month 7-8pm

#### Rosary:

Ashbourne Church  
Mon-Fri. 9.30am  
Mon-Fri. after 10am Mass  
Mon.-Fri. 7.30 p.m.



## RCIA PROGRAMME 2018

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a faith-formation process which prepares and supports adults and children who wish to be received into the Catholic Church, through the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Eucharist. Applications are currently being invited for September 2017. Please contact the Parish Office or Fr. Derek for further information.

## MORNING PRAYER

Morning Prayer (the Prayer of the Church) continues each morning (Mon-Sat) at 9.45am after the morning Rosary, prior to the commencement of Mass. Prayer books will be provided. As there are a limited number of prayer books we would ask that parishioners do not remove the books from the church, but return them to the case at the back of the church at the end of Mass.

**Mornings  
are better  
when you  
talk to God  
first.**

### Priests of the Parish

Fr. Derek Darby P.P. - 8350547  
Fr. Ciaran Clarke C.C. - 8350406  
Priest on Duty Fr. Ciaran 01 8350406

### Parish Office Opening Hours

9.30 a.m.—12 Noon Mon. to Fri.  
10.00 a.m.—12 Noon Sat.  
Phone: 01 8353149

### PARISH HALL

Bookings for the Parish Hall can be made with Mary on 086 7327737 or [parishhall2014@gmail.com](mailto:parishhall2014@gmail.com)

## PARISH NOTICES

**JOIN US** for tea or coffee after the 11 a.m. Mass each Sunday in the Parish Hall. All welcome.

**LEGION OF MARY** meet on Thursdays at 8 p.m. in Parish Office. All welcome.

**BETHANY BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT:** Drop-in Centre on 3rd Tues. of each month 8-9 p.m. or anytime by appointment. Tel. 087 2715222.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION** now takes place on Thursdays from 10.30am-9pm in the John Paul II Chapel. We invite parishioners to join this quiet time of prayer in the presence of the Lord.

**SUMMER ROSARY:** Wednesday 16th August at Archerstown Wood at 8pm.

### SR. SUMREEN RETURNS TO PAKISTAN

Our thanks to Sr. Sumreen who shared an insight into her work and ministry in Pakistan with Fr. Tom Rafferty at all Masses last weekend. We wish her a safe return to Pakistan after her summer holidays as she is reunited with her religious congregation and local community. Thank you to all who generously supported her work in St. Thomas' Middle School for minority religions last weekend. Anyone still wishing to support Sr. Sumreen's school can make donations through the Parish Office or the collection box outside the confession box at the rear of the church this weekend. All donations will be forward to Pakistan in the coming week.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

The World Meeting of Families 2018 invites you and all your family to come along to the launch of the one-year programme of preparation for World Meeting of Families 2018, which will take place at the Knock Shrine, County Mayo, on Monday 21st August 2017, the anniversary of the Apparition of Our Lady. The WMOF2018 Official Prayer will be announced on this occasion. This day of celebration will include the celebration of the Eucharist, workshops, faith and fun activities for all the family. The WMOF2018 Icon will be presented at Mass in the Basilica at 3.00pm and then begin its journey around the Dioceses of Ireland. [www.worldmeeting2018.ie](http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie)



### PARISH KICKS-OFF PREPARATIONS FOR WMOF 2018

In preparation for the World Meeting of Families 2018, our parish will embark on a programme of specific family-orientated, liturgical celebrations, prayer activities, music, speakers, activities, and projects which enhance and celebrate family life.



Ashbourne-Donaghmore Parish in conjunction with the Parish Hall will celebrate a 'Parish Family Day', **Sunday 10th September** next beginning with Mass at 12.30pm. Our Family Mass will celebrate 'family' in our community as we gather to celebrate the Eucharist as the Family of God. Afterwards, parishioners are invited to continue the celebrations at the Parish Hall. Activities include: face-painting, bouncy castles, an ice-cream parlour, pizzas, music provided by The Lost Boys, Young Einstein's, Cinnamon Garden, teas, coffees and refreshments in the Parish Hall. The Parish Hall will showcase many of the groups and activities that use the Parish Hall throughout the year. All welcome! Anyone willing to assist with preparations or offer support on the day, please contact the Parish Office.

### AN EVENING OF PRAYER FOR FAMILIES IN OUR PARISH

Following the recent visit of the relic of St. Teresa of Calcutta, the Missionaries of Charity Community in South Circular Rd., Dublin will join our parish community in an hour of prayer for families in keeping with the spirituality of Mother Teresa on **Wednesday 13th September** (The fifth apparition of our Lady of Fatima) at 8pm.

**LOYOLA INSTITUTE, Trinity College** is co-organising with Meditatio and Christian Meditation Ireland a two-day Conference entitled "**John Main: A Hunger for Depth and Meaning**" in Trinity College on Friday 15th and Saturday 16th September 2017. Details available from Parish Office.

**PILGRIMAGE to Our Lady's Island, Wexford** on 15th August. Details available from Tony Malone 087 9526337.

**THE PRIORY INSTITUTE:** Study Theology by Distance Learning - for details of courses available Tel. 01 4048124 or email [enquiries@prioryinstitute.com](mailto:enquiries@prioryinstitute.com).

**PARISH OFFICE:** The Parish Office will reopen tomorrow Monday 14th August.



### KNIGHTS OF ST. COLUMBANUS

The Knights of St. Columbanus are a group of Catholic lay men dedicated to the service of Christ in daily life, in the workplace, the marketplace, in city, urban and provincial areas. They welcome Catholic men who would wish to bring to the service of Christ their talents and skills towards the promotion of Christian values and principles in society, their prayer, charity and acts of mercy. They do so in the spirit of their motto: 'to restore all things in Christ'.

They have four main objectives. These are:

- To promote by personal and group action a practical Christianity in all phases of life.
- To maintain a fraternal society of Catholic Lay leadership.
- To honour the Faith.
- To prepare its members for the Apostolate.

To achieve this end they are guided by two principles of action: charity and justice.

The Knights of St. Columbanus are interested in establishing a branch of the Order in Ashbourne-Donaghmore Parish. Anyone interested in considering joining the work of the Order should contact Fr. Derek. Further information is available on [www.knightsof stcolumbanus.ie](http://www.knightsof stcolumbanus.ie).

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



The Blessed Sacrament is now exposed on Thursdays beginning at 10.30am, continuing throughout the day and concluding with the regular Holy Hour 8-9pm in the St. John Paul II Chapel. Parishioners are free to drop in at any time throughout the day for personal prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.

### MEATH DIOCESE PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

We pray for all those on the Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock this weekend. Confessions 11.00am to 5.00pm, Anointing of the Sick 2.30pm, Pilgrimage Mass at 3.00pm followed by Benediction, Rosary Procession to the Shrine and Blessing of Religious Objects.

### UPDATE!

Following the recent National Church collection in aid of over 25 million people facing hunger, thirst and malnutrition in east-Africa: Kenya, South Sudan, Somalia and Ethiopia, a total of €140,000 has been donated to date from parishes across the Diocese of Meath. Thank you to all who kindly supported the National Appeal.

### DONAGHMORE CANDLE SHRINE

Our thanks to all who financially assisted with the restoration and refurbishment of the candelabra in Donaghmore Church. We were able to cover all costs associated with its restoration, cleaning and polishing.



The second collection for the month of August takes place next weekend after Holy Communion at all Masses. This month's collection will assist in meeting the cost of our parish insurance which amounts to c. €9,400.

### Collections

Ashbourne Plate €1,560; Donaghmore Plate €165, Parish Fund €730.

Míle Buíochas

*We thank all who contribute and all who pay by Standing Order.*

